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In re application of:

Drohan *et al.*

Appl. No. 08/479,038

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For: **Supplemented and
Unsupplemented Tissue Sealants,
Methods of Their Production and
Use**



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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to any action on the merits, applicants respectfully request the following changes be made:

In the Claims:

Claim 9 delete "claims 1 or 2" and insert -- claim 1 --;

Claim 10 delete "claims 1 or 2" and insert -- claim 1 --;

Claim 14 delete "claims 12 or 13" and insert -- claim 12 --.

Please add new claims 21-23 as follows:

--21. The supplemented tissue sealant composition of claim 2, wherein said antibody is selected from the group consisting of polyclonal antibodies, monoclonal antibodies, chimeric antibodies, recombinant antibodies, transgenic antibodies, functional derivatives and fragments thereof, including modified forms thereof.

22. The supplemented tissue sealant composition of claim 2, further comprising an effective amount of at least one additional supplement selected from the group consisting of

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☒ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.

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 - ☒ Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
 - ☐ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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